

# **APRIL 2006 GED UPDATE**

## **Examiner's Conference**

KYAE issued a Request for Proposal for Kentucky's GED scoring contract on March 24. Kentucky is requiring several changes to the scoring and reporting process including an online demographic form and ways to submit answer sheets other than mailing. This creates a possibility of a scoring center change and/or transitioning to new procedures. As a result, the examiner's conference has been moved to **June 26-27**. This will allow training prior to the effective date of the contract, July 1, 2006.

Please put these dates on your calendar and make adjustments to test schedules. Since this is near the end of the fiscal year, you will need to work with adult education providers who need to get students tested in this fiscal year.

You will receive further information about the conference shortly including a registration form. The conference will again be held at the Lexington Marriott.

## **Battery Usage--2006**

Now is the time to evaluate the need to order more batteries for the rest of the year in order to get the full value of your order. Please review the battery usage to date, estimate the number yet to be tested this year, and assess whether your test center will exceed the usage per battery. If additional batteries will be needed, you will want to order now to have full use of the new batteries.

## **Demographic Forms**

Please check the instructional program codes to ensure the correct codes are being used. Please check that only students enrolled in a KDE approved GED Secondary Program answer Yes to the state specific Question #32 "Are you enrolled in a GED Secondary Program". Over 2,000 students have responded yes and this is not accurate. Please check with any providers whose students are not responding to the state specific questions, #31-41.

## **2007 GEDTS Contracts**

Contracts will arrive in April. Please begin thinking about the number of batteries needed. If you have low volume, you may want to think about becoming an addendum site before committing to the 2007 contract. *Schedule a meeting with the institutional officer for May* to go over the contract, get all required signatures, and ensure you and the institutional officer sign in the correct places on all forms.

**Repeated Notice from the January Update  
Mailing Requirement—Effective Immediately**

All mailing of batches to the scoring center must be by a method that provides point to point tracking. Certified or priority mail does not provide point-to-point tracking. Express mail is the only U. S. Mail that provides point-to-point. FedEX or UPS provide point- to-point.

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**REMINDERS**

**Examiner's Conference**

**June 26-27**

**Contracts Signing**

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